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talking about the rate structure in order to do to tie these people to them to the point they cannot separate themselves from it. Because they know the first time anybody can, they can buy it cheaper, they're going to leave them. And the one reason they're going to leave them, the fact they will not guarantee to them to adopt within the law the ingredients of the rate structure which should be approved and supervised by the Nebraska Power Review Board. That's not a reasonable. What gives them the right to believe that they know so much about everything to everybody else's without any viewpoint, without anything being submitted to what they say. Now, the people in my end of the state are getting sick and tired of it. The first time they can they're going to leave them just like the City of Lincoln left them because they don't know what the rates going to be. And they won't tell them. And they're not reasonable or honest enough to go and let somebody else supervise and determine a reasonable rate like almost every other utility does if you want to do it. Now that's the crux of this whole thing. If we made them have their rates subjected to a review, oh, they say don't do that because they're going to raise our interest rate on the bond. That's nonsense. They'll go back to New York, for example, babes in the woods. You think they go back to negotiate, of course not. They're offered whatever or take whatever they're offered to take. You mean to tell me the board of Nebraska Power Company, the OPPD, either one is qualified to go back on the money market in New York and tell them...negotiate on a rate, of course they're not. They put these utility districts in hock to the New York bankers and bond people.

PRESIDENT: Senator Carpenter, we're going to have to try and confine our remarks to the Goodrich amendment to the Schmit amendment if we could. I know that's its going to take some limitation because it's a far ranging subject.

SENATOR CARPENTER: That's all it amounts to.

PRESIDENT: Go ahead, sir.

SENATOR CARPENTER: That's the whole crux of this thing. That's all there is to it. The rate structure has to be supervised and approved by someone besides those who set it up. And I said I used the words "set up" advisedly. And I stand here, I'm in strange company with Senator Goodrich. That's the second time today. I think in this case he's right and I hope you adopt his amendment to the amendment. And let's start on the road in order to correct the whole thing that's wrong with public power in this state. For forty years, no one's ever looked over their shoulder and now they think these plants belong to the management and not to the people. And the sad part of it, fifty percent of the people don't even know they own them. I hope you adopt the Goodrich amendment to the amendment.

PRESIDENT: Thank you, sir. Senator Duis.

SENATOR DUIS: Mr. President, what I'm interested here in the Goodrich amendment to the Schmit amendment is that in regard to the wheeling. And I would like to ask Senator Goodrich or Senator Schmit, preferably Senator Schmit.

PRESIDENT: Senator Schmit, will you yield to a question.

SENATOR SCHMIT: I yield.